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Mr. Dan G. Blair, Chairman Postal Regulatory Commission 901 New York Ave, NW Suite 200 Washington, DC 20268-0001

RE: Docket MC2008-1

Dear Mr. Blair:

I am writing to you in support of the continuation of the Electronic Postmark® (EPM®) program in light of Delaware's unanimous adoption of a legislative amendment I cosponsored in June. The amendment to the Delaware UETA (Universal Electronic Transactions Act) expands the legal strength of the EPM and jurisdiction of the U.S. Postal Service.

My constituents have identified a significant public need for this service that facilitates trusted communications and transactions online. I continue to observe the proliferation and growing impact of online fraud, particularly in the financial services sector many of whom call Delaware home. Efforts made to combat these problems by the private sector alone continue to fall short; I firmly believe in the necessity for a public-private partnership. The unique competencies and resources of the USPS as well as the unique qualities of the USPS Electronic Postmark are paramount in addressing the problems of today.

The state of Delaware has made a significant commitment to the EPM to improve commerce and protect our citizens. I ask that you continue the EPM program for the benefit of our constituents and other states adopting similar legislation.

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Donna Stone

State Representative

32nd District

cc: Steven W. Williams, Secretary of the control of the

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